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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 05-002

TO: Charter School Administrators, Directors, Principals

FROM: Philip Williams, Director of School Finance

DATE: July 14, 2004

SUBJECT: July 15, 2004 Basic calculations for Equalization Assistance Report

(CHAR 55-1) and Equalization Assistance Detail Report (CHAR 64-1)

The July 15, 2004 apportionment reports for your charter school are posted on your charter school's home page on the ADE web site at http://www.ade.az.gov/districts. Hard copies of these reports will not be mailed. If you need help finding or viewing these reports please call your county's Regional Training Center (RTC). The phone number for your county's RTC can be found at http://www.ade.az.gov/rtc.

All eligible charter schools have been paid on estimated counts submitted by June 21, 2004. In the event that you did not receive a July 15, 2004 payment, it may be due to missing or late submitted estimated student counts or M & O Deduct forms not submitted. In addition, if the banking forms were not submitted to the state treasurer's office or Charter contracts were not signed, a payment will not be issued. If you have questions or concerns about submitting estimated student counts or M & O Deduct forms please contact Karala Dunn at (602) 542-8240 or by email at kdunn@ade.az.gov. Questions regarding entering calendars on line should be directed to David Schuricht at (602) 542-8244 or email at dschuri@ade.az.gov.

Estimated student counts submitted on or before July 19, 2004, will be the basis of August funding; estimated student counts submitted on or before August 20, 2004, will be the basis of September funding. The September enrollment list due date is September 17, 2004 for funding in October. In order to receive an August 15, 2004 charter payment, charters must also have submitted a calendar online and a completed/signed M&O Deduct form by July 19, 2004. All charter schools, regardless of sponsorship, must submit a student list utilizing an ADE approved electronic format for each charter site by 5:00 PM on or before the dates listed above to be eligible for a payment in the following month.

It is the responsibility of each charter school to verify that the <u>Charter School Estimated Count</u> report posted on their web page (http://www.ade.az.gov/districts), accurately reflects the data submitted. Charter schools should revise their estimated counts each month to accurately reflect the actual student registration.

Please check the submission status of your proposed and adopted budgets as well as your budget worksheets. This may be done at http://www.ade.az.gov/budget. If you have questions related to budget submission, please call Rachel Arroyo at (602) 364-1990 (rarroyo@ade.az.gov) or Leslie Martin at (602) 542-8246 (lmartin@ade.az.gov).

If you have any concerns regarding your equalization calculations or payments please contact Maggie Singler at 602-542-8244 or by email at msingle@ade.az.gov.